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- 1. LOCAL PRESS, CITING SPANISH MILITARY COMMUNIQUE AS SOURCE, HAS REPORTED THAT "SAHRAOUI RESISTANTS" ATTACKED SPANISH POST AT HAUSA, 70 KILOMETERS SOUTH OF MOROCCAN BORDER. REPORTS SAID THAT ATTACK, WHICH PRESUMABLY TOOK PLACE AUGUST 2 OR SHORTLY BEFORE, RESULTED IN DEATH OF ONE SPANISH SOLDIER AND WOUNDING OF TWO ATTACKERS.
- 2. SEMI-OFFICIAL COVERAGE BRIEF AND FACTUAL WHILE ISTIQLAL OPPOSITION DAILY L'OPINION GAVE INCIDENT SENSATIONAL TREAT-MENT AND CREDITED PRO-MOROCCAN FLU WITH THE ATTACK. ACCOUNT SAID FLU "IS, OF COURSE, MORALLY AND MATERIALLY SUPPORTED BY MOROCCO," BUT TOTALLY INDEPENDENT IN CONDUCT OF ITS OPERATIONS. L'OPINION ALSO CLAIMED THAT COMMUNIQUE CONFIDENTIAL

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FAILED TO MENTION ANOTHER ATTACK ON TAH OUTPOST, REPORTEDLY

ANNOUNCED BY CIFRA AUGUST 3. PAPER REJECTED CLAIM OSTENSIBLY MADE IN SPANISH COMMUNIQUE THAT MOROCCAN REGULARS INVOLVED IN ATTACK AND CLAIMED THAT LOSSES TO SPANISH IN FACT MUCH HEAVIER AT BOTH BASES THAN COMMUNIQUE INDICATED.

3. THERE HAS AS YET BEEN NO INDICATION LOCALLY THAT SPANISH HAVE RELEASED THE 16 MOROCCAN PRISONERS (MADRID 5366). NEUMANN

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